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I. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE PORT DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE A.

	Number Inspected.		Number reported to be defective.	Number of Vessels on which defects were remedied.	Number of Vessels reported as having or having had during voyage infectious disease on board.
	By the Medical Officer of Health.	By the Health Inspector.			
Totals:-	7.	1,627.	253.	221.	1.

CANAL BOATS ACTS.

During the year, 50 Canal Boats were inspected and no cases of infectious disease occurred on any of them.

Infringements of the Act dealt with were:-

No Certificate on board	12.
Certificate not identifying owners with boat	1.
Marks and Numbers indistinct	9.
No Marks and Numbers	3.
Cabin needs painting	9.
Defective locker	1.
" stove	3.
" cabin hatch	3.
No stove chimney	1.
Bunks need lining	3.
Leaking deckhead	2.
Without proper water vessels	1.
Tank cover missing	1.

III. WATER SUPPLY.

The remarks pertaining to the Water Supply of the Port are similar to those made in the Annual Report of 1938.

IV. PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS, 1933.

The information under these Regulations is as described in the Annual Report for 1934, except in regard to paragraph 10 relating to venereal disease. This is shewn at the end of Table D.

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TABLE A.

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	By the Medical Officer of Health.	By the Health Inspector.			
Totals:-	7	1,827.	259.	221.	1.

CANAL BOATS ACTS.

During the year, 30 Canal Boats were inspected and no cases of infectious disease occurred on any of them.

Infringements of the Act dealt with were:-

No Certificate on board ..... 12.
Certificate not identifying owners with boat ..... 1.
Marks and Numbers indistinct ..... 5.
No Marks and Numbers ..... 8.
Cabin needs painting ..... 6.
Defective Locker ..... 1.
" stove ..... 3.
" cabin hatch ..... 3.
No stove chimney ..... 1.
Bunks need lining ..... 2.
Leaking deckhead ..... 2.
Without proper water vessels ..... 1.
Tank cover missing ..... 2.

III. WATER SUPPLY.

The remarks pertaining to the Water Supply of the Port are similar to those made in the Annual Report of 1928.

IV. PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS, 1925.

The information under these Regulations is as described in the Annual Report for 1928, except in regard to paragraph 10 relating to venereal disease. This is shown at the end of Table D.

TABLE C.

Cases of Infectious Sickness landed from Vessels.

Disease.	Number of Cases during the year.		Number of Vessels concerned.
	Passengers.	Crew.	
Influenza	-	3.	3.
Diphtheria	-	1.	1.

TABLE D.

Cases of infectious sickness occurring on Vessels during the voyage but disposed of prior to arrival - Nil.

No cases of Plague, Cholera, Yellow Fever, Smallpox or Typhus occurred, or any plague infected rats discovered during the year. No cases of other infectious disease were found.

Venereal Disease.

During the year, there was a total of 271 attendances by 68 foreign seamen at the Grimsby Clinic.

Of the above number, 10 were found to be suffering from syphilis, 2 from shancroid, 36 from gonorrhoea, and 20 were found not to be suffering from venereal disease.

TABLE C

Cases of Infectious diseases landed from Vessels.

Diseases.	Number of Cases during the year		Number of Vessels concerned.
	Passengers.	Crew.	
Influenza	-	3.	3.
Diphtheria	-	1.	1

TABLE D.

Cases of Infectious diseases occurring on Vessels during the voyage out disposed of prior to arrival - Nil.

No cases of Plague, Cholera, Yellow Fever, Smallpox or Typhus occurred, or any plague infected rats discovered during the year. No cases of other infectious diseases were found.

Venereal disease.

During the year, there was a total of 171 attendances by 65 females seeking at the Clinic Clinic.

Of the above number, 10 were found to be suffering from syphilis, 3 from gonorrhoea, 58 from gonorrhoea, and 98 were found not to be suffering from venereal disease.

V. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.

Numbers 1 to 5 as described in Annual Report for 1934.

RATS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE E.

(1) On Vessels.

Number of rats destroyed	197.
" " " examined	42.
" " " found to be infected with plague.	Nil.

TABLE F.

(2) In Docks, Quays, Wharves and Wharehouses.

Number of rats destroyed	2,993.
" " " examined	2.
" " " found to be infected with plague.	Nil.

Rats Examined for Plague or other Diseases:-

18 Black Rats and 30 Brown Rats were sent for examination.

The Report from the Analyst is as follows:-

These rats have been examined and found to be free from B. Pestis, or other diseases.

INTERNATIONAL SANITARY CONVENTION.

During the year, 65 Deratisation Exemption Certificates were issued.

280 traps were set by the Rat Searcher on 70 Vessels and 107 rats were caught, the balance of 90 being from fishing vessels, making a total of 197.

It has not been found necessary to fumigate any vessel under the above "Convention".

V. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.

Numbers 1 to 3 as described in Annual Report for 1924.

RATS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE E.

(1) On Vessels.

Number of rats destroyed	107.
" " " examined	46.
" " " found to be infected with plague.	Nil.

TABLE F.

(2) In Docks, Quays, Wharves and Warehouses.

Number of rats destroyed	2,993.
" " " examined	2.
" " " found to be infected with plague.	Nil.

Rats Examined for Plague or other Diseases:-

18 Black Rats and 50 Brown Rats were sent for examination.

The Report from the Analyst is as follows:-

These rats have been examined and found to be free from B. Pestis, or other disease.

INTERNATIONAL SANITARY CONVENTION.

During the year, 55 Derattisation Exemption Certificates were issued.

280 traps were set by the Rat Catcher on 70 Vessels and 107 rats were caught, the balance of 80 being from fishing vessels, making a total of 187.

It has not been found necessary to fumigate any vessel under the above "Convention".

TABLE G.

Measures of Rat Destruction on Plague "infected or "suspected" Vessels from plague infected ports arriving in the Port during the year:- Nil.

TABLE H.

Deratisation Certificates and Deratisation Exemption Certificates issued during the year.

Number of Ships	Number of Deratisation Certificates issued					Number of Deratisation Exemption Certificates issued	Total Certificates issued
	After fumigation with			After trapping poisoning etc.	Total		
	H. C. N.	Sulphur	H. C. N. & Sulphur				
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
65.	-	-	-	-	-	65.	65.

VI. HYGIENE OF CREW'S SPACES.

TABLE J.

Classification of Nuisances.

Number of Vessels inspected during the year	Defects of original construction	Structural defects through wear & tear	Dirt, Vermin, and other conditions prejudicial to health
1,627.	Nil.	222.	240.

TABLE 6.

Measures of Rat Destruction on Plague "Infected or "suspected" Vessels from plague infected ports arriving in the Port during the year:- 6?1.

TABLE 6.

Derratisation Certificates and Derratisation Exemption Certificates issued during the year.

Number of Vessels inspected during the year 2	Number of Derratisation certificates issued					Number of Derratisation Exemption Certificates issued 6	Total Certificates issued 7
	After fumigation with			After sanitary measures etc. 8	Total 9		
	H. C. N. 3	Sulphur 4	H. C. N. & Sulphur 5				
54.	-	-	-	-	-	33.	65

VI. SIGNING OF DRAW'S CLAUSE

TABLE 7.

Classification of Seamen.

Number of Vessels inspected during the year	Defects of Seamen's accommodation	Insufficient Seamen through year & over	Dirt, Vermin, and other conditions prejudicial to health
1,627.	?11.	322.	?80.

SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS EFFECTED.

STEAMERS.

Ventilation improved	4.	Dirty food lockers cleansed..	98.
Lighting "	2.	" galleys etc. " ..	12.
Decks repaired	12.	" beds destroyed	36.
Port frames repaired	7.	Verminous quarters fumigated.	18.
Portlights "	13.	" " sprayed ..	15.
Skylights "	1.	Qrs painted wholly or in part	32.
Bulkheads "	6.	Tanks repaired	2.
Floors "	1.	" cleaned	23.
Doors "	1.	W.C. basins renewed	3.
Bunks "	6.	" " repaired	1.
Lining or sheathing repaired.	1.	" seats "	2.
Clothes lockers " .	8.	W.C's cleansed	41.
Food " " .	8.	" painted	40.
Stoves repaired	8.	Wash houses cleansed	28.
Dirty quarters cleansed	41.	" " painted	23.
" bunks "	274.	Clothes lockers provided.....	5.

TRAWLERS.

Decks repaired	6.	Dirty food lockers cleansed..	570.
Chain pipes repaired	1.	" galleys etc. " ..	183.
Skylights "	3.	" beds destroyed	555.
Bulkheads "	6	Verminous quarters fumigated.	139.
Bunks "	38.	" " sprayed ..	1.
Lining or sheathing repaired.	16.	Qrs painted wholly or in part	188.
Food lockers repaired	3.	Tanks cleaned	21.
Stoves "	13.	W.C. basins renewed	2.
Dirty quarters cleansed	196.	W.C's cleansed	34.
" bunks "	1775.	" painted	30.
" seat lockers"	380.	Wash houses cleansed	3.
" transom " "	190.	" " painted	3.

Trawler fumigations carried out on behalf of the Admiralty ..... 25.

CREWS' QUARTERS.

The remarks pertaining to the condition of crews' accommodation are similar to those made in the Annual Report of 1938.

SECTION OF QUARTERS INSPECTED.

KITCHENS.

Ventilation improved	4.	Dirty food lockers cleaned..	29.
Lighting "	5.	" galleys etc. " ..	12.
Decks repaired	10.	" beds destroyed	26.
Port frame repaired	7.	Ventilous quarters fumigated.	18.
Portlights "	13.	" " sprayed ..	15.
Skylights "	1.	Ups painted anolis or in part	28.
Bulkheads "	4.	Tanks repaired	-
Floors "	1.	" cleaned	22.
Doors "	1.	M.S. galley removed	2.
Ranges "	6.	" " repaired	1.
Lining or sheeting repaired.	1.	" walls "	4.
Utensils lockers " .	5.	M.O.'s cleaned	41.
Food " " .	5.	" painted	10.
Stoves repaired	2	Mess houses cleaned	35.
Dirty quarters cleaned	41.	" " painted	23.
" lamps "	27.	Clothes lockers provided....	3.

PANTRIES.

Decks repaired	6.	Dirty food lockers cleaned..	570.
Main pipes repaired	1.	" galleys etc. " ..	1.5.
Skylights "	3.	" mess pantrys	525.
Bulkheads "	8	Ventilous quarters fumigated.	139.
Tanks "	26.	" " sprayed ..	1.
Lining or sheeting repaired.	16.	Ups painted anolis or in part	108.
Food lockers repaired	2.	Tanks cleaned	21.
Stoves "	13.	M.O. Pusing removed	8.
Dirty quarters cleaned	198.	M.O.'s cleaned	34.
" lamps "	1770.	" painted	30.
" mess lockers "	780.	Mess houses cleaned	3.
" frames " "	180.	" " painted	9.

Tenwise Investigations carried out on behalf of the Admiralty ..... 38.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The remarks pertaining to the condition of crews' accommodation are similar to those made in the annual report of 1928.

VII. FOOD INSPECTION.

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937.

Quantities and descriptions of food seized and forfeited during the year.

Nature of Article	Weight				Why Condemned	Whether Seized or Forfeited	How Disposed of
	Tons	Cwts	Qrs	Stns			
Quantities of Fish condemned:-							
(1) Fish Market	751	14	2	1	Decomposed	Forfeited	Sent to the Meal Works
(2) Ex Rail	6	0	1	1	"	"	"
(3) Fish Curing Houses	6	13	1	1	"	"	"
Quantities of Fish remaining unsold:-					How disposed of		
(1)	1056	13	2	0	Sent to the Meal Works		
(2)	1599	8	0	1	For Salting Purposes		

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELLFISH) REGULATIONS, 1934.

There are no shellfish beds in the area of the Port Health Authority.

The layings from which the oysters are marketed in this district are Hunstanton and Brightlingsea.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES ETC., IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1939.

Number of Samples of Food examined by:-

(a) Bacteriologists - Nil.

(b) Analyst -

Nature of Sample.	Result of Examination.
Strawberry Pulp	Free from Preservatives.
Jellied Veal	" " "
Brawn	" " "

VII. FOOD INSPECTION.

FOODS SEIZED (INCLUDING FISH) QUANTITIES, 1927.

Quantities and descriptions of food seized and forfeited during the year.

Nature of Article	Weight				Why Condemned	Whether Seized or Forfeited	How disposed of
	Tons	Cwts	Qrs	Lbs			
Condemned:-							
(1) Fish Livers	751	14	0	1	Unwholesome	Forfeited	Sent to the Local works
(2) Do. Oil	4	0	1	1	"	"	"
(3) Fish Guts Livers	6	12	1	1	"	"	"
Condition of Fish Landing Quantity:-							
(1)	1056	15	1	0	Sent to the Local Works		
(2)	1329	8	0	1	For Salting Purposes		

FOODS SEIZED (OTHER THAN FISH) QUANTITIES, 1928.

There are no qualities held in the area of the Port Health Authority.

The Lavings from which the oysters are gathered in this district are Dumbarton and Helensburgh.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES ETC., IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1929.

Number of Samples of Food examined by:-

(a) Bacteriologist - Nil.

(b) Analyst -

Nature of Sample.	Result of Examination.
Strawberry Pulp	Free from Preservatives.
Salted Veal	" " "
Cream	" " "

I am indebted to Mr. A. Martin, Chief Port Health Inspector, for the details of the sanitary work carried out in the district during the year.

DISTRICT.

1,746 inspections and re-inspections have been made re defects and nuisances during the year.

SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS EFFECTED.

GENERAL.

Washing facilities provided	2.
Wash basins renewed	1.
Defective floors relaid	1.
New floors laid	1.
Ventilation improved	1.
Eaves gutters repaired	1.
Roofs "	2.
Walls "	1.
Windows "	2.
Floors "	2.
Staircases "	1.
Eaves gutters cleansed	1.
Walls "	68.
Staircases "	5.
Staircase and landing limewashed	1.
Premises limewashed	19.
Offensive deposits removed	7.
" accumulations removed and streets cleansed	4.
" offal removed and yard cleansed	1.

DRAINAGE.

New drains provided	2.
" gullies "	1.
Inspection chambers repaired	1.
Eaves gutters "	1.
Down spouts "	5.
Drains "	1.
Inspection chambers cleansed	1.
Drains "	5.
Gullies "	3.
Gullies cleared	5.

WATER CLOSETS.

New W.C's provided	13.
" Urinals "	1.
W.C. basins renewed	1.
W.C's provided with water supply	2.
Insanitary or unsuitable W.C's reconstructed	3.
" W.C's abolished	1.
Defective W.C's repaired	3.
Soil pipes "	1.
Cisterns "	1.
Roofs "	1.
Walls "	1.
W.C's cleansed	69.
Urinals "	2.
W.C's cleansed and limewashed	6.

138 letters and informal notices were served on owners or occupiers during the year.

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Eaves gutters cleaned	1.
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Staircases and landing limewashed	1.
Premises limewashed	10.
Offensive deposits removed	7
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DRAINAGE.

New drains provided	2.
" yards "	1.
Inspection chambers repaired	1.
Drops cutting "	1.
Down spouts "	1.
Drains "	1.
Inspection chambers cleansed	1.
Drains "	3.
Outlets "	3.
Outlets cleared	3.

WATER CLOSETS.

New W.C.'s provided	18.
" Urinals "	1.
W.C. seats renewed	1.
W.C.'s provided with water supply	2.
Insanitary or unsuitable W.C.'s reconstructed	2.
" W.C.'s modified	1.
Defective W.C.'s repaired	3.
Soil pipes "	2.
Cisterns "	2.
Lids "	1.
Walls "	1.
W.C.'s cleansed	85.
Urinals "	3.
W.C.'s cleansed and limewashed	8.

138 Letters and informal notices were served on owners or occupiers during the year.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937.

These places are kept under constant supervision, a card index record kept as to the nature of the trade carried on and their conditions.

Further particulars will be found in copy of Home Office Form below:-

1. INSPECTIONS for purpose of provision as to health. Including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors.

Premises. (1)	Number of Inspections. (2)	Written Notices. (3)	Occupiers prosecuted. (4)
Factories with mechanical power ..	243.	2.	Nil.
Factories without mechanical power	1,012.	76.	Nil.
Other Premises under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction but not including outworkers' premises).	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Total	1,255.	78.	Nil.

2. DEFECTS FOUND.

Particulars. (1)	Number of Defects. Found. (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred to H. M. Inspector (4)	Number of defects in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted. (5)
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	178.	175.	Nil.	Nil.
Overcrowding (S.2).	Nil.	Nil.	"	"
Unreasonable temperature (S.3) ..	"	"	"	"
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	1.	1.	"	"
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.5)	3.	2.	"	"
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) insufficient	1.	1.	"	"
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) unsuitable or defective	22.	21.	"	"
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) not separate for sexes	Nil.	Nil.	"	"
Other offences	52.	50.	"	"
Total	257.	250.	Nil.	Nil.

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1. INSPECTIONS for purpose of provision as to health. Including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors.

Premises. (1)	Number of Inspections. (2)	Written Notices. (3)	Prosecutions proceeded. (4)
Factories with mechanical power ..	345.	2.	Nil.
Factories without mechanical power	1,012.	76.	Nil.
Other premises under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction not including outworkers' premises).	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Total	1,357.	78.	Nil.

2. DEFECTS FOUND.

Particulars. (1)	Number of Defects. Found. (2)	Remedied. (3)	Referred to H. M. Inspector (4)	Number of Defects in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted. (5)
Want of cleanliness (s.1)	174.	172.	Nil.	Nil.
Overcrowding (s.2).	Nil.	Nil.	"	"
Unreasonable temperature (s.3) ..	"	"	"	"
Inadequate ventilation (s.4)	1.	1.	"	"
Ineffective drainage of floors (s.5)	3.	3.	"	"
Sanitary Conveniences (s.7) — Insufficient	1.	1.	"	"
Sanitary Conveniences (s.7) — Unsuitable or unhealthy	32.	31.	"	"
Sanitary Conveniences (s.7) — Not separate for sexes	Nil.	Nil.	"	"
Other offences	32.	30.	"	"
Total	237.	230.	Nil.	Nil.

FISH MARKET.

Fish Merchants stands cleansed	345.
" " barrows "	416.
" " ice bins "	337.
" " new ice bins	29.
" Curers kits (lots) cleansed	343.

FISH MARKET, FISH MARKET FACILITIES AND OFFENSIVE TRADES.

The report referring to the Fish Market, Fish Market Facilities and Offensive Trades is the same as that submitted in 1938.

RATS & MICE (DESTRUCTION) ACT, 1919.

With reference to the above Act, 279 Inspections and Re-inspections were made.

2,993 rats were caught on premises, of these 997 were black and 1,996 were brown.

A regular system of examination is carried out in stores, warehouses, etc. If rats or traces of rats are found in any building, orders are at once given for their clearance either by traps, poison or fumigation.

Leaflets are distributed pointing out the obligations under the Act, also the penalties for non-compliance.

A card index is kept of all buildings, etc., in which rats have been found.

PARROTS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930.

One notice was issued during the year.

THE SHOPS ACTS, 1912-1934.

Periodical inspections are being carried out under the above Acts.

The Railway Company have given special attention to road sweeping and the collection of refuse during the year with satisfactory result. Considerable sums of money have been spent on improving certain sections of the road surfaces.

No sickness of a serious nature occurred in the dock area during the year.

I acknowledge with thanks the cordial co-operation which we receive from H. M. Customs and Waterguard and from H. M. Immigration Officers, also the Port Master and the Dock Officials of the London and North Eastern Railway Company.

FISH MARKET.

Fish barrows stands cleansed	249.
" " " "	416.
" " ice bins "	277.
" " new ice bins	29.
" Outside sites (lots) cleansed	245.

FISH MARKET, THE MARKET FACILITIES ACT, 1926 (PROVISIONS).

The report relating to the Fish Market, fish market facilities and offensive trades in the area is that examined in 1926.

MEAT & FOOD (INSPECTION) ACT, 1926.

Fish reference to the above Act, 275 Inspections and re-inspections were made.

No. 1,000 fish were bought on premises, of these 327 were black and 1,338 were brown.

A regular system of examination is carried out in stores, warehouses, etc. If fish or trades or sites are found in any building, orders are at once given for their clearance either by trade, poison or fumigation.

Leaflets are distributed pointing out the obligations under the act, also the penalties for non-compliance.

A dark image is kept of all buildings, etc., in which rats have been found.

RAILWAYS (PREVENTION OF NUISANCE) REGULATIONS, 1906.

One notice was issued during the year.

THE BOROUGH ACTS, 1903-1924.

Periodical inspections are being carried out under the above Acts.

The Railway Company have given special attention to road sweeping and the collection of refuse during the year with satisfactory results. Considerable sums of money have been spent on improving certain sections of the road surfaces.

No nuisances of a serious nature occurred in the dock area during the year.

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